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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today.
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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:33 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, October 1, 2004. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10193.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Peter Cyril Wyche Flory, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Policy, and 5,851 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

INTERNET GOVERNANCE AND SECURITY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers, focusing on security of Internet Root Servers and the Domain Name System (DNS), after receiving testimony from David A. Gross, U.S. Coordinator for International Communications and Information Policy, Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, Department of State; John M.R. Kneuer, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information; Pat Morrissey, Security Director, Law Enforcement Intelligence, U.S. Secret Service, Department of Homeland Security; Paul Twomey, Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers, and Bill Manning, University of Southern California Information Service Institute, both of Marina del Rey, California; and Aristotle Balogh, VeriSign, Inc., Washington, D.C.

LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine issues related to the disposal availability of low-level radioactive waste, focusing on the requirements of the Low-Level Radioactive Waste Policy Act (P.L. 96–573), and commercial disposal sites, after receiving testimony from Christine Gelles, Director, Office of Commercial Disposition Options, and Edward G.

McGinnis, Director, Office of Global Radiological Threat Reduction, National Nuclear Security Administration, both of the Department of Energy; Robin M. Nazzaro, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office; and Alan Pasternak, California Radioactive Materials Management Forum, Lafayette.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: on September 29, 2004, Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Ryan C. Crocker, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Marcie B. Ries, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Albania, Catherine Todd Bailey, of Kentucky, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Latvia, who was introduced by Senators McConnell and Bunning, and Douglas Menarchik, of Texas, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, after each nominee testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

COLLEGE SAVINGS PLANS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Management, the Budget, and International Security concluded an oversight hearing to examine Section 529 College Savings Plans, focusing on levels of fees, quality of plan disclosure, state tax treatment and broker sales practices, after receiving testimony from Steven T. Miller, Commissioner, Tax Exempt and Government Entities Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury; Ernesto A. Lanza, Senior Associate General Counsel, Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board; Michael A. Ablowich, New Hampshire State Treasurer, Concord, on behalf of the National Association of State Treasurers; Jacqueline T. Williams, Ohio Tuition Trust Authority, Columbus, on behalf of the College Savings Plan Network; Martin M. Noven, Office of the Illinois State Treasurer, Springfield; Richard O. Davis, Utah Higher Education Assistance Authority, Salt Lake City; Mary L. Schapiro, NASD, New York, New York; Daniel McNeela, Morningstar, Inc., Chicago, Illinois; and Mercer E. Bullard, Fund Democracy, Inc., Oxford, Mississippi.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1635, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to ensure the integrity of the L–1 visa for intracompany transferees;

S. 2195, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to clarify the definition of anabolic steroids and to provide for research and education activities relating

to steroids and steroid precursors, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. Res. 424, designating October 2004 as "Protecting Older Americans From Fraud Month"; and

The nominations of Micaela Alvarez, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, Keith Starrett, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Mississippi, Raymond L. Finch, to be Judge for the District Court of the Virgin Islands, David E. Nahmias, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Georgia, Richard B. Roper III, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Texas, Lisa Godbey Wood, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Georgia, Ricardo H. Hinojosa, of Texas, to be Chair, Michael O'Neill, of Maryland, to be a Member, and Ruben Castillo, of Illinois, to

be a Member, all of the United States Sentencing Commission, and William Sanchez, of Florida, to be Special Counsel for Immigration-Related Unfair Employment Practices, Department of Justice.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Veterans Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Mary J. Schoelen, of the District of Columbia, who was introduced by Senator Rockefeller, and William A. Moorman, of Virginia, who was introduced by Senator Graham (SC), each to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, and Robert Allen Pittman, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Human Resources and Administration, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 5185–5200; and; 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 506–507, and H. Res. 810, 812–813 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 811, providing for the consideration of H.R. 5183, to provide an extension of highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a law reauthorizing the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (H. Rept. 108–710);

H.R. 5107, to protect crime victims' rights, to eliminate the substantial backlog of DNA samples collected from crime scenes and convicted offenders, to improve and expand the DNA testing capacity of Federal, State, and local crime laboratories, to increase research and development of new DNA testing technologies, to develop new training programs regarding the collection and use of DNA evidence, to provide post-conviction testing of DNA evidence to exonerate the innocent, to improve the performance of counsel in State capital cases (H. Rept. 108–711);

S. 551, to provide for the implementation of air quality programs developed in accordance with an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and the State of Colorado con-

cerning Air Quality Control on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation (H. Rept. 108–712, Pt. 1);

H.R. 1630, to revise the boundary of the Petrified Forest National Park in the State of Arizona, amended (H. Rept. 108–713);

H.R. 4817, to facilitate the resolution of a minor boundary encroachment on lands of the Union Pacific Railroad Company in Tipton, California, which were originally conveyed by the United States as part of the right-of-way granted for the construction of transcontinental railroads, amended (H. Rept. 108–714); and

H.R. 3982, to direct the Secretary of Interior to convey certain land held in trust for the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah to the City of Richfield, Utah (H. Rept. 108–715).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Miller of Florida to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today.

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered today by Rev. William G. Alvey, Pastor, Park United Methodist Church in Madison, Ohio.

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Surface Transportation Extension Act, Part V: The House passed H.R. 5183, to provide an extension of highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a law reauthorizing the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, by a recorded vote of 409 ayes to 8 noes, Roll No. 481.

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